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- 1) Information Disclosure Statement (4 pgs)
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For: **TECHNIQUES FOR MANAGING DATABASE SYSTEMS WITH A COMMUNITY
SERVER**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 together with copies of the documents cited on that form. It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered and that the enclosed Information Disclosure Citation Form PTO-1449 be initialed by the Examiner to indicate such consideration and a copy thereof returned to applicant(s).

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- (1) Accordingly, copies of the references as listed on the attached Form PTO 1449 are submitted herewith for placement in the file. No certification or fees are deemed necessary.

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This related application contains one or more claims that may be substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to reference the file history of the related application as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

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The Examiner is hereby notified that for the following related application(s) an Office Action has been received as indicated below:

U.S. Application/ Pat. No.	File Date	Office Action Mailing Date	Atty. Docket No.
09/872,234	May 31, 2001	September 23, 2004	50277-1512
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The related application(s) contain(s) one or more claims that may be substantially similar to one or more claims in the present application, those claims may have been rejected in the related application(s), and a different interpretation may have been applied to one or more of the references that are of record in the present application. Therefore, the Examiner is encouraged to review the file history(ies) of the related application(s) as some of the information contained therein may be material to the examination of the present application.

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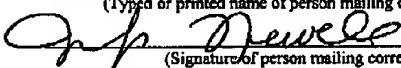
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